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 ${\tt SUBJECT:} CONSOLIDATED\ CONSULAR\ WORKLOAD\ AND\ MANPOWER\ REQUIREMENTS:$

ESTIMATES FY 73, 74, AND 75 FOR ROME

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THE INCREASE SHOWN FOR FISCAL YEAR 1974 REFLECTS ONLY A NATURAL INCREASE THAT HAS MOUNTED YEAR AFTER YEAR BUT POSSIBLY HAS LEVELED AT THE MOMENT BECAUSE OF THE DOLLAR PLUNGE AND GENERAL INFLATION IN THE UNITED STATES. ADDITIONALLY A CERTAIN NUMBER OF WOULD-BE 1974 TOURISTS MAY LIKELY POSTPONE THEIR TRIP UNTIL THE HOLY YEAR.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE EMBASSY ANTICIPATES A WORKLOAD OF STAGGERING PROPORTIONS BEGINNING JULY 1974 BECAUSE OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE HOLY YEAR. VARIOUS COMMITTEE GROUPS ARE ALREADY FORMED AND AN OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF 25 MILLION TOURISTS HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED. THAT THESE TOURISTS WILL SPREAD OUT ALL OVER WESTERN EUROPE IS OBVIOUS BUT AS ROME IS THE FOCAL POINT OF THE HOLY YEAR, THE EMBASSY, ESPECIALLY ITS CONSULAR SERVICES WILL BEAR THE BRUNT OF THE IMPACT. NO DOUBT BECAUSE OF PACKAGE TOURS, CHARTER FLIGHTS AND OTHER ATTRACTIVE MONETARY ADVANTAGES MANY PERSONS WHO ARE NOT ACTUALLY INTERESTED IN THE RELIGIOUS ASPECT OF THE HOLY YEAR WILL JOIN GROUPS AS A MEANS OF INEXPENSIVE TRANSPORTATION TO ITALY. UNCLASSIFIED

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THE 25 MILLION VISITORS EXPECTED WILL OF COURSE COME FROM ALL NATIONS BUT A VERY LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THEM WILL BE UNITED STATES CITIZENS. OF PERSONS WHO ARE NOT OUR CITIZENS WILL BE A SIZABLE NUMBER WHO WILL TRANSIT OR VISIT THE UNITED STATES. SOME WILL HAVE MADE ADVANCE ARRANGEMENTS IN THEIR HOME COUNTRIES BUT INEVITABLY THERE WILL BE CHANGES OF PLANS BY THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS WHICH WILL ADD CONSIDERABLY TO THE BURDEN OF THE VISA SECTION.

PART I - IMMIGRANT VISAS NOT APPLICABLE

PART II - NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS:

- 1. NIV'S ISSUED FY 73 26,389; FY 74 32,347; FY 75 45,247
- A. NIV'S REFUSED 1,030; 1,075; 1,475.
- B. NIV'S REVAL/TRANSFERRED 920; 1,000; 1,400
- C. SUB-TOTAL NIV CASES: 28,339; 34,422; 48,122
- 2. BCC'S ISSUED NOT APPLICABLE
- 3. CREW LIST VISAS:
- A. CPPROCESSED: 35, 50, 58
- B. INDIVIDUAW NAMES INCLUDED: 1,470; 1,700; 1,700
- 4. CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE: 120: 130: 140
- C. (TOTALS):29,964; 36/302; 50,012
- 5. MAN-HOURS UTILIZED:
- A. AMERICAN: 3,203; 4,745; 5,200.
- B. LOCAL: 8,066; 10,784, 12,480.
- C. TOTALS: 11,169; 15,;29; 17,680

PART III - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

- 1. DEATHS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS: 94; 100;115
- 2. ESTATES AND PROPERTY CLAIMS: 2,200; 2,420; 2,640
- 3. NOTARIALS: 8/208; 9,000; 9,800
- 4. WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS: 3,790; 4,150; 4,550
- 5. ARRESTS: 51; 60; 65
- 6. SEAMEN AND SHIPPING: 11;12;15
- 7. TREASURY CHECKS: 566,007; 570,535; 575,110
- 8. SERVICES FOR OTHER FEDERAL OR STATE AGENCIES: 66,648;

69,980 72,500

9. CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE: 70; 85; 95

TOTALS: 647,079; 656,342; 664,890

10. MANHOURS UTILIZED:

A. AMERICAN: 4,410; 4,720; 4,950

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B. LOCAL: 27,554; 29,894;32,234 TOTALS: 31,964; 34,614; 37,184.

PART IV - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

- $1.\ EXECUTION\ OF\ APPLICATIONS:\ 3/247;\ 3,409;\ 3,896$
- 2. EXAMINATION OF APPLICATIONS: 19; 20; 22
- 4. ISSUANCE: 3,175; 3,335; 3,810
- 5. CERTIFICATE OR CARD OF IDENTITY: 44; 46; 52

6. NO-FEE: 44; 46; 52

7. AMENDMENT: 382; 401; 458

8. VERIFICATION: 0; 0; 0

9. REGISTRATIONS: 3,642; 3,824; 4,370

10. BIRTH AFFIDAVIT: 0; 0; 0

11. BIRTH REGISTRATION: 146; 153; 175

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TOTALS: 10,847; 11,390; 13,013 15. MANHOURS UTILIZED: A. AMERICAN: 1,688; 1,688; 3,376 B. LOCAL: 8,780; 10,328; 10,328 TOTAL: 10,468; 12,016; 13,704

/PART V - REMARKS AND JUSTIFICATION/

A VISAS

WE HAVE PROJECTED A 25 0/0 INCREASE FOR 1974, REFLECTING THE PATTERN WHICH HAS DEVELOPED IN RECENT YEARS. HOWEVER, FOR 1975 WE HAVE ADDED AN ADDITIONAL 15 0/0 INCREASE, MAKING A TOTAL OF 40 0/0, BECAUSE 1975 HAS BEEN DESIGNATED "HOLY YEAR" BY THE VATICAN, AND OFFICIALS THERE EXPECT ABOUT 25,000,000 PILGRIMS TO PARTICIPATE. OLD TIMERS IN ROME REMEMBER THAT DURING THE LAST HOLY YEAR (1950) THERE WAS AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF NIV APPLICANTS WISHING TO RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRIES VIA THE UNITED STATES.

B. SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT WITH THE EVER INCREASING WORKLOAD THERE WILL BE A 20 0/0 AUGMENTATION IN THE SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES WITHIN THE NEXT TWO YEARS. THE HOLY YEAR WILL BEGIN IN ROME IN JANUARY 1975 AND THIS FIGURE MAY INCREASE BEYOND THE PRESENT ESTABLISHED ESTIMATES. IN VIEW OF THIS UNCLASSIFIED

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FACT AND THE NORMAL 20 0/0 INCREASE IN TWO YEARS AND ADDITIONAL CONSULAR OFFICER SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES SECTION BY CALENDAR YEAR 1975.

C. CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

IN ADDITION TO THE SERVICES ENUMERATED ABOVE THE CITIZENSHIP SECTION RENDERED APPROXIMATELY 10,000 SIGNATURE SERVICES, ANSWERED 3,000 SUBSTANTIVE TELEPHONE CALLS, HAS IN PROCESS WITH THE ITALIAN POLICE 8 FRAUD CASES, HAS A CONTINUING AVERAGE OF 20 HARD CORE CITIZENSHIP CLAIM CASES. AND WE HAVE OBTAINED 1,030 VISAS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND/OR DEPENDENTS. THESE SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE, 5 0/0 IN FY 1974 AND 20 0/0 IN FY 1975. A JUNIOR OFFICER OF CONSULAR ASSISTANT IS REQUESTED.

PART VI - /CONSULAR STAFFING - FULL TIME PERMANENT POSITIONS/

FY 1973 - POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS VISAS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 6.

SCS AND FEDERAL BENEFITS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 16.

PPT: AMERICANS: 1; LOCALS: 6.

GENERAL CONSULAR: AMERICANS: 3; LOCALS: 2.

TOTAL: AMERICANS: 8; LOCALS: 30. FY 1973 - FILLED POSITION #6/30/73 VISAS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 6.

SCS AND FEDERAL BENEFITS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 16.

PPT: AMERICANS: 1; LOCALS: 6.

GENERAL CONSULAR: AMERICANS: 3; LOCALS:2.

TOTAL: AMERICANS: 8; LOCALS:30.

FY 1974 - REQUIRED

VISAS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 8.

SCS AND FEDERAL BENEFITS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 16.

PPT: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS:6.

GENERAL CONSULAR: AMERICANS: 3; LOCALS: 2.

TOTAL: AMERICANS: 9; LOCALS: 32.

FY 1975 - REOUIRED

VISAS: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS: 8.

SCS AND FEDERAL BENEFITS: AMERICANS: 3; LOCALS: 17.

PPT: AMERICANS: 2; LOCALS:6.

GENERAL CONSULAR: AMERICANS: 3; LOCALS: 2. TOTAL: AMERICANS: 10; LOCALS: 33.VOLPE

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